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EXECUTIVE ORDERS, PROCLAMATIONS OF GENERAL APPLICABILITY, AND STATEMENTS ISSUED BY THE GOVERNOR PURSUANT TO A.R.S. § 41-1013(B)(3)

The Administrative Procedure Act (APA) requires the full-text publication of all Executive Orders and Proclamations of General Applicability issued by the Governor. In addition, the *Register* shall include each statement filed by the Governor in granting a commutation, pardon or reprieve, or stay or suspension of execution where a sentence of death is imposed. With the exception of egregious errors, content (including spelling, grammar, and punctuation) of these orders has been reproduced as submitted.

* CONSTITUTION WEEK 2007 *

[M07-474]

WHEREAS, more than 200 years ago our forefathers adopted a Constitution that has since proven to be an enduring guide that has secured the blessings of liberty for every generation of Americans; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution's framework for establishing and preserving liberty, justice, and opportunity has enabled us to prosper as a Nation and thrive as a people; and

WHEREAS, our Constitution is a living document that defends the principles of democracy and freedom and allows our Nation to shine as a beacon of democracy, tolerance, compassion and generosity; and

WHEREAS, educating our citizens about the principles of the Constitution allows us to reflect on the rights and privileges and citizenship and to work to ensure that the blessings of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness endure and extend for generations to come;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim September 17, 2007 as

* CONSTITUTION DAY *

and September 17-23, 2007 as

* CONSTITUTION WEEK 2007 *

in Arizona and encourage all our citizens to renew and deepen their appreciation for the unique and precious heritage passed on to us by our Founding Fathers through the United States Constitution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janet Napolitano GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this fifteenth day of August in the year Two Thousand and Seven and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-second.

ATTEST:

Janice K. Brewer Secretary of State

* TAKE A LOVED ONE FOR A CHECKUP DAY *

[M07-472]

WHEREAS, African Americans, American Indians and Alaska Natives, Asian Americans, Hispanic Americans, Native Hawaiians, and other Pacific Islanders suffer from serious disparities in health status and outcomes; and

WHEREAS, Heart disease and stroke, cancer, diabetes, infant mortality and Sudden Infant Death Syndrome, HIV/AIDS and lack of immunizations against disease are major causes of the health disparities; and

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WHEREAS, Prevention, early detection of disease, and prompt referral to quality health care are essential steps to reducing these and other health disparities; and

WHEREAS, The Public Health Community knows that all individuals can make a difference not only in their own health but also in the health of others, and that community norms regarding medical visits and care are important factors influencing the health of a community; and

WHEREAS, The efforts of local communities working together with partners and volunteers to improve the health status of all Americans have proven to be essential to promoting healthy behavior;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim September 15, 2007 as

* TAKE A LOVED ONE FOR A CHECKUP DAY *

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janet Napolitano GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this fifteenth day of August in the year Two Thousand and Seven and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-second.

ATTEST:

Janice K. Brewer Secretary of State

* WOMEN'S EQUALITY DAY *

[M07-477

WHEREAS, at the first Women's Rights Convention, July 13,1848, in Seneca Falls, N.Y., early defenders of women's rights, such as Lucretia Mott, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Mary Ann McClintock, and Frederick Douglas, signed the Declaration of Sentiments, declaring all women and men created equal and, in one of the accompanying resolutions, called for universal women's suffrage; and

WHEREAS, after a 72 year struggle, on August 26, 1920, the ratification of the 19th Amendment to the Constitution of the United States secured women's right to vote; and

WHEREAS, August 26 celebrates this year's 87th Anniversary of the passage of the 19th Amendment.

WHEREAS, President Carter designated August 26 Women's Equality Day, as a reminder of women's continuing efforts for equality;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim August 26, 2007 as

* WOMEN'S EQUALITY DAY *

and call on members of our communities to celebrate what has been accomplished, and renew our efforts to empower all women and girls in our society and the world with full equality in all aspects of life. Let us all continue to support full political participation by women for the enhanced well-being of our society.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janet Napolitano GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this sixteenth day of August in the

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year Two Thousand and Seven and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-second.

ATTEST:

Janice K. Brewer Secretary of State

* 2008 PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE ELECTION *

[M07-479]

WHEREAS, 2008 is a presidential election year; and

WHEREAS, in the last three presidential election years, Arizona has sought to hold its presidential preference election as early as possible to maximize the impact of Arizona's voters on the presidential election; and

WHEREAS, holding an early presidential preference election attracts more presidential candidates, staff and media to Arizona, increasing Arizona's sales tax revenues and promoting Arizona's hotels, restaurants and businesses; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-241(B), the Governor is authorized to issue a proclamation that the presidential election may be moved to a date earlier than the fourth Tuesday in February; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the federal Voting Rights Act, any such proclamation by the Governor is subject to approval by the United States Department of Justice;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Arizona Constitution and laws of the State, do hereby proclaim that (contingent upon approval by the United States Justice Department) the

* 2008 PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE ELECTION *

in Arizona shall be held on February 5, 2008.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janet Napolitano GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-first day of August in the year Two Thousand and Seven and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-second.

ATTEST:

Janice K. Brewer Secretary of State

* ARIZONA TRAIL DAY *

[M07-480]

WHEREAS, the Arizona Trail represents a naturally diverse and spectacular scenic section of Arizona; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Trail is recognized as a premier long-distance trail in the United States totaling over 800 miles of trail; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Trail has been recognized as a "State Treasure" and a "State Scenic Trail"; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Trail is a shining example of cooperation between State and Federal agencies, private businesses, non profit agencies and many volunteers; and

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WHEREAS, the Arizona Trail offers equestrians, mountain bicyclists, trail runners, hikers, and outdoor enthusiasts an opportunity to explore popular or remote areas of Arizona;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim September 29, 2007 as

* ARIZONA TRAIL DAY *

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janet Napolitano GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-first day of August in the year Two Thousand and Seven and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-second.

ATTEST:

Janice K. Brewer Secretary of State

* FAMILY DAY - A DAY TO EAT DINNER WITH YOUR CHILDREN *

[M07-483]

WHEREAS, the use of illegal drugs, abuse of prescription drugs, alcohol and nicotine constitute the greatest threats to the well-being of America's children; and

WHEREAS, surveys conducted by The National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse (CASA) at Columbia University have consistently found that the more often children and teenagers eat dinner with their families the less likely they are to smoke, drink and use illegal drugs; and

WHEREAS, teenagers who eat dinner with their families two times a week or less are twice as likely to drink alcohol and smoke cigarettes, compared to teens who have frequent family dinners; and

WHEREAS, teenagers who eat dinner with their families are half as likely to smoke cigarettes, smoke marijuana and drink alcohol; and

WHEREAS, the correlation between family dinners and reduced risk for teen substance abuse are well documented; and

WHEREAS, parental engagement is known to be one of the most crucial factors in determining the likelihood of substance abuse by teenagers;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona do hereby proclaim September 24, 2007 as

* FAMILY DAY - A DAY TO EAT DINNER WITH YOUR CHILDREN *

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janet Napolitano G O V E R N O R

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-first day of August in the year Two Thousand and Seven and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-second.

ATTEST:

Janice K. Brewer

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Secretary of State

* SEDONA JAZZ ON THE ROCKS MUSIC EDUCATION WEEK *

[M07-484]

WHEREAS, Sedona Jazz on the Rocks, Inc. was founded in 1986 and preserves jazz for future generation through performance and education; and

WHEREAS, Sedona Jazz on the Rocks, Inc. is a 501 (3)c Arizona scholarship organization that helps create the next generation of jazz musicians by: providing scholarships for Arizona youth to recognized music schools around the country, sponsoring Arizona youth master classes and clinics, purchasing musical instruments and lessons for talented and underfinanced Arizona youth, and supporting music in the Arizona schools; and

WHEREAS, the annual Sedona Jazz on the Rocks Benefit Festival recognizes the significance of the jazz community to our American heritage by showcasing innovative works by celebrated jazz musicians and by featuring and by featuring the Sedona Jazz on the Rocks Youth Band; and

WHEREAS, the Sedona Jazz on the Rocks Annual Benefit Festival is a well established tradition that continues to grow and expand in scope and breadth and involves the City and State in supporting the afore mentioned communities and programs, which are an integral and important part of Arizona's history, culture and economy;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim September 25-30, 2007

* SEDONA JAZZ ON THE ROCKS MUSIC EDUCATION WEEK *

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janet Napolitano GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-first day of August in the year Two Thousand and Seven and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-second.

ATTEST:

Janice K. Brewer Secretary of State

* WEEK OF THE CLASSROOM TEACHER *

[M07-485]

WHEREAS, teachers throughout our nation and the Association for Childhood Education International actively work to promote the inherent rights, education, and well-being of all children; and

WHEREAS, as a crucial part of children's education experiences, teachers work side by side with parents and administrators every day to provide the best learning environments for their students; and

WHEREAS, teachers use their skills to help ensure that our children have the resources necessary to become productive citizens and future leaders; and

WHEREAS, the 2007 observance of the ACEI "Week of the Classroom Teacher" provides a unique opportunity for citizens throughout Arizona to honor our teachers for their dedication to upholding the highest standards of educational excellence and for their commitment to ensuring that our young people achieve their maximum potential;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim September 30 – October 6, 2007 as

* WEEK OF THE CLASSROOM TEACHER *

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and urge all residents to honor teachers throughout the State for their significant contributions to our children's.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janet Napolitano G O V E R N O R

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-first day of August in the year Two Thousand and Seven and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-second.

ATTEST:

Janice K. Brewer Secretary of State